

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:**

*This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:*

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

Claim 1 (Original): A foam-holding agent which comprises a water and/or ethanol extract of tea leaves.

Claim 2 (Original): The foam-holding agent according to claim 1, which is obtained by concentrating a water and/or ethanol extract of tea leaves.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The foam-holding agent according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, wherein the concentrate obtained by concentrating a water and/or ethanol extract of tea leaves has a Brix degree of 10° to 40°.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The foam-holding agent according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, wherein the tea leaves are those of black tea, green tea or oolong tea.

Claim 5 (Original): A carbon dioxide-containing drink characterized by comprising:

- (A) a foaming agent; and
- (B) a water and/or ethanol extract of tea leaves.

Claim 6 (Original): The drink according to claim 5, which further comprises a hop extract.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): The drink according to claim 5 ~~or 6~~, wherein the tea leaves are those of black tea, green tea or oolong tea.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The drink according to ~~any one of claims 5 to 7~~ claim 5, wherein the internal pressure of carbon dioxide is 0.5 to 3.5 kg/cm<sup>2</sup> (at 20°C).

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): The drink according to ~~any one of claims 5 to 8~~ claim 5, wherein a fermented grain liquor is not used as a source material.

Claim 10 (Currently Amended): The drink according to ~~any one of claims 5 to 9~~ claim 5, which is a soda pop, a lemon soda drink, a cola drink, a carbonated fruit drink or a low alcohol drink.

Claim 11 (Currently Amended): The drink according to ~~any one of claims 5 to 10~~ claim 5, which is a low alcohol drink having an alcohol content of 12% or less.

Claim 12 (Original): A method for producing a carbon dioxide-containing drink, which comprises preparing a drink blended with a foaming agent and a water and/or ethanol extract of tea leaves, and incorporating carbon dioxide into the resulting drink.